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Martin SOMMER et al.

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Group Art Unit: 1772

Filed: February 12, 2001

For:

MOLDED ELEMENT THAT CONSISTS OF BRITTLE-FRACTURE MATERIAL

REPLY

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on March 8, 2004, please consider the remarks.

The Section 112 Rejections

Claim 29 is rejected allegedly lacking written description. The Office Action alleges that there is no page 9 in the specification, which applicants previously indicated contains written description for the material in claim 9. The Examiner in a telephone conference indicated that page 9 has been found and does contain written description of the material claimed in claim 9. Thus, this issue is moot.

The Section 102 Rejections

The claims are rejected because allegedly, the material from the book "Principles of Welding" by Messler, accompanying the previous reply did not make it to the file. Applicants based several of their arguments on material appearing in that book. A copy of the filing

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receipt is attached which supports that the material from "Principles of Welding" accompanied the last Reply. A new copy of the material is attached.

The arguments from the previous reply are incorporated herein.

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Attached is an Information Disclosure Statement.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3402.

Respectfully submitted,

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